The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Norton Municipal Court Room on December 1, 1970 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

Present: V. O. Flanary, Robert Leonard, Archie Woods, Ike Fultz.

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Franks reported that the only new recommendations from the Highway Safety Committee were that there would have to be a railroad crossarm sign placed at two locations, one going towards the Ramsey section on the N & W Railroad at the Hawthorne crossing and the other being on the L & N Railroad on 21st Street beyond the D-Nor Cafe. Mr. Franks reported that there would have to be resolutions from the City Council before the railway companies would have to put these signs up.

On motion by Ike Fultz, seconded by Mr. Leonard and unanimously approved, that resolution be made to the railway companies to install these signs.

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Mr. Norton reported that there was nothing further on the Area Regional Juvenile Court System. 5445

Mr. Norton advised Council that he and Earle Brown, Fire Chief, had met with some of the Rescue Squad members to get a budget and other information with regard to ambulance service. Council discussed with the City Attorney the possibility of appointing either Minor or Hagy Funeral Homes for a 60-day period to perform these services. This was discussed at some length.

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Mr. Norton advised that the audit was supposed to be received on December 2, 1970.

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Mr. Franks reported to the Council that Old Dominion was about to go to work on the new street light requests. He advised that they were supposed to have started the latter part of last week, but they were delayed due to a delay in shipment of equipment.

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Mr. Norton reported that there were some details on the parking lot and the CC Camp property that had to be worked out in order to go along with the public housing project. Mr. Norton reported that we had to have the assurance that the City would be able to use the parking lot for public parking. Mr. Norton discussed this with the Council and also some details on the parking lot with regard to making this lot available to the developer and concerning the public parking for the future.

Mr. Hunnicutt, Mr. Tate and Mr. Clements were at Council meeting to give their opinion on the high rise building in the Progress parking lot. Mr. Norton explained the details of the high rise, all the planning of the developer, the meetings and discussions with HUD, etc. There was a rather lengthy discussion on the location of the high rise and the price for the City parking lot. This subject was tabled for the next meeting.

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Mr. Norton advised the Council that the parade would begin at 3:30 p.m., Sat., December 5, 1970, and that the Council was to ride in the car after the color guard. The parade would be lining up at 2:30 p.m. at the Norton Hardware Building.

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Mr. Norton reported to the Council that there was a meeting to be held in Philadelphia on December 9 to discuss the Neighborhood Facilities Project to carry forward and finalize this project. Mr. Norton advised Council that Mr. Bill Wampler had been invited to go along to Philadelphia, but he would be unable to attend this meeting. He is going to get William Robertson from the Governor's office to go along 5451

Mr. Norton advised Council that he had talked to the TV engineer and he asked about the Educational TV channel. He reported to Mr. Norton that the TV Cable had an assignment to the City of Norton and unless they increased their boosters they would not be able to increase their reception of channels. Mr. Leonard suggested that Mr. Norton contact the TV Cable people and see what their plans are.

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Mr. Norton asked that the City Organization and the Public Relations program be tabled for the next meeting.

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Mr. Woods made the motion to go into Executive session to discuss the appointment of a new City Councilman. This motion was seconded by Mr. Fultz and unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before Council, same adjourned.

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ASSISTANT TO THE CLERK